

# *The guide to your Perfect Day*



## **The Portage – A THC Group Hotel**

Wedding Kit



# **The Portage**

## **Marlborough Sounds, NZ**

Congratulations on your engagement!

We are delighted for both of you and it's our pleasure to assist you in making your wedding day as special as possible.

Base yourself at The Portage and experience a bit of everything Marlborough Sounds has to offer.

The Marlborough Sounds are an extensive network of sea-drowned valleys at the northern end of the South Island of New Zealand. The property is set amongst a rustic landscape with unobstructed views of the seascape, which offers the perfect location for an ocean front wedding. Relax, unwind and switch off from the rest of the world and enjoy being in a remote part of the Sounds while celebrating with your guests.

You will experience enticing cuisine influenced by locally sourced fresh seafood and produce featured in set menus and buffet options. Should you require a more personal menu, we can work with your preferences and requirements to create a dining experience tailored to your appetite.

The Portage's central location in Marlborough makes it an easy reach from all over New Zealand - being 15 minutes from Picton by ferry or 1.25 hours by road. Blenheim Airport has multiple flights from the major cities of Auckland, Wellington and Christchurch every day and is a 25-minute road trip from Picton.

We look forward to welcoming you to the Portage to discuss your wedding ideas personally. We feel that building a strong relationship with our clients is an essential step to ensuring your day is exactly how you envisioned it to be. Please feel free to contact us at your convenience.

Best wishes,

Joshua Thomas  
General Manager

# Wedding venues

The Portage offers a variety of locations within its grounds that are perfect for your special day.

## **Portage Bay – Garden Ceremony**

Get married with scenic waterfront views as your background. The level grass terrain is our most ideal location to hold your ceremony. The grounds have two landscaped lawns surrounded by gardens and native hedges. Both have uninterrupted views out across Portage Bay.

The event lawn, reached across a small footbridge from the main building, is ideal for your ceremony. This venue is best suited for smaller groups. Seating can be arranged for up to 60 guests attending the ceremony.

## **Events Centre**

Take advantage of our private function room for a more formal and intimate occasion. This is also an alternative option if the weather does not permit to outside. Seating can be arranged for up to 60 guests attending the ceremony.

## **Poolside**

Hold your reception under the stars in the balmy tropical air. You can dine and dance while creating magical and unforgettable moments right beside our ocean fed pool.

# Packages

## **Ceremony only package - \$700**

- Seating for up to 60 people on the grass lawn overlooking the breath-taking views of the Marlborough Sounds.
- Signing table and chairs with a white tablecloth
- Use of sound system and microphone
- Use of the lawns, waterfront deck and beach to take photos of your special day

## **Reception only package – \$1,500.00**

- Exclusive use of the function room or lawn for a formal seated reception, from 11am until midnight
- Bridal table and cake table with cake knife
- Gift table
- Guest tables and chairs with white tablecloths and napkins
- Personalized menus
- Seating plan with frame and easel
- Accommodation with breakfast for the Bride & Groom on the wedding night
- Someone on call 24/7 to assist you and your guests

## **The whole experience - \$2,000**

Let us take care of everything on your special day and hold your ceremony and reception at The Portage. Make the most out of the stunning facilities and get everything above included in this package.

## **OPTIONAL EXTRAS**

- Table centrepieces
- Dancefloor, DJ and lighting
- Decorations to go with your theme

# Beverage Packages

## STANDARD BEVERAGE PACKAGE:

Wines: \$9.00 per glass, \$39.00 per bottle

**Beer and Lager - \$7 per bottle, \$9 per pint**

*All soft drinks and juices - \$5.00 each*

## PREMIUM BEVERAGE PACKAGE:

Wines: \$10.00 per glass, \$45.00 per bottle

# Canape Menu

Selection of four choices: \$19.00 per person

Selection of six choices: \$23.00 per person

## Served Hot

- Bruschetta with brie cheese, pesto, cherry tomato & croquette (vg)
- Mini hot dogs with mustard, crispy bacon and potato crisps
- Prawns with sweet chilli sauce
- Spicy chicken kebabs
- Spring rolls with sundried tomato, basil & black olives
- Zucchini fritter and goat cheese roll (vg)(gf)
- Braised honey glazed pork belly squares
- Mini empanadas with mozzarella cheese, spring onion and romesco sauce (vg)
- Mini beef burger with tomato, lettuce, cheddar & BBQ sauce

## Served Cold

- Venison carpaccio with apple chutney (gf)
- Mini bagel with cured salmon and lemon
- Vegetarian wraps with courgette, ricotta cheese and baby spinach (vg)
- Bruschetta with prosciutto, figs balsamic reduction
- Mini Caesar salad (vg)
- Blue cream cheese tart (vg)
- Pincho caprese
- Fresh oysters
- Sandwich with chicken, avocado mousse, and spinach
- Smoked salmon roll

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# Buffet Menu

**\$95 per adult**

**\$45 per child**

## **Bread**

Freshly baked bread & butter

## **Seasonal Salads**

Green garden salad

Curried Kumara and bacon salad

Greek pasta salad

## **Seasonal Vegetables**

Fresh potatoes with parsley and butter

Steamed garden vegetables

Roasted medley of vegetables

## **Hot Meats**

Roasted lemon and tomato chicken

Roast rosemary lamb with gremolata

Roast aged sirloin with caramelized onions

Carvery champagne ham

## **Seasonal Desserts**

Chocolate torte

Blueberry cheesecake

Apple and rhubarb crumble

**Tea and coffee served with dessert**

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# Set Menu

**\$85 per person**

## ***Entrée***

Marinated salmon – with herb, crème fraiche, artichoke hearts and baby beetroot

Grilled polenta with baby seasonal vegetables finished with herb dressing

## ***Mains***

Grilled beef fillet with potato gratin, onion marmalade, finished with a red wine jus

Mushroom risotto with crispy parmesan cheese finished with baby roquette

## ***Dessert***

Deconstructed citrus tart – lemon curd, fresh lime, grapefruit, thyme syrup, meringue and biscuit crumb

100% chocolate – chocolate marquise, chocolate mousse, chocolate ground, chocolate soup and pistachio topping

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# Accommodation

For special events we can offer 42 spacious suites, accommodating up to 100 guests. All suites have an open plan bedroom, en suite bathroom, tea and coffee making facilities and a private balcony or patio.

**Weka Rooms:** Comfortable rooms in a small courtyard setting, surrounded by native plants. The rooms can be set up either with a king or twin bed.

**Korimako Rooms:** The boutique lodge rooms either offer a large deck or stunning sunroom to soak in the panoramic vistas of the Sound.

**Korimako 2 Bedrooms:** Split over two levels, this room is ideal for a getaway with families & friends. All rooms offer picturesque views of the Sounds from the decks on both levels and can sleep up to 5 people.

**Tui Terraces:** Our premier Rooms feature a large private deck and offer uninterrupted views of the Kenepuru Sound.

**Kereru Suite:** Premier suites with a sunroom to enjoy the stunning view of the Sounds. Enjoy the luxury of a large spa bath to unwind after a long day.

## **Exclusive use of your wedding party**

You may want to consider booking the resort exclusively, which includes 42 rooms in total. This will give you flexibility to choose from all venue options. Exclusive use depends on the time of the year and it is highly recommended to book as soon as possible to ensure availability.

# Terms and Conditions

The prices contained herein are indicative and are subject to change. Prices are confirmed by a written proposal tailored to your specific requirements.

The Portage requires a \$1,000 deposit on your tentative wedding charges to secure your date.

Dates can be held for up to 3 weeks while you make your decision.

All catering and beverage selections and final numbers must be confirmed 6 weeks prior to the wedding.

Final payment is due 30 days prior to your wedding.

The Portage upholds the responsible service of alcohol and unduly intoxicated patrons will be refused service.

## Weather

In the case of wet weather, the bride and groom will have an opportunity to make a weather call for the ceremony two hours prior to the start time. If the Event Manager deems the weather to be unsafe for guests and staff, the Event Manager will make the final call.

## Accommodation

The bride and groom must stay a minimum of two nights in total at The Portage. The accommodation bonus includes one complimentary night.

*We look forward to tailoring your special day to perfection!*

